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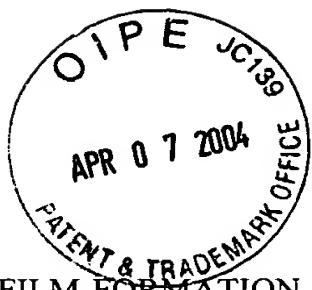
Docket No. 0557-4909-3

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kazunori ITO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/498,375

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FOR: OPTICAL DEVICE SUBSTRATE FILM-FORMATION APPARATUS, OPTICAL DISK SUBSTRATE FILM-FORMATION METHOD, SUBSTRATE HOLDER MANUFACTURE METHOD, SUBSTRATE HOLDER, OPTICAL DISK AND A PHASE-CHANGE RECORDING TYPE OF OPTICAL DISK



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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated January 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.